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Applicant:

MCCARTHY et al.

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For:

A METHOD FOR THE CHARACTERIZATION OF

NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES INVOLVING

GENERATION OF EXTENDIBLE UPSTREAM DNA FRAGMENTS RESULTING FROM THE CLEAVAGE OF

NUCLEIC ACID AT AN ABASIC SITE

SMALL ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

November 26, 2001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X	Applicant	claims	small	entity	status	under	37	C.F.R.	S	1.2	7
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TOTAL	23	_	24	=	0	\$ 9	\$0.00	
INDEPENDENT	0	-	3	=	0	\$ 42	\$0.00	
FIRS	FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE CLAIM						\$0.00	
						TOTAL	\$0.00	

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 □ No fee is required.
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Respectfully submitted,

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